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It was on Nov. 28, 1863, that a Con-

federate force of about 20,000 men of Longstreet's corps attacked the Union troops under Gen. Burnside, who was defending Knoxville, Tenn. Some weeks before Longstreet had driven Burnside into Knoxville and besieged the place. Several sharp attacks were made in the progress of the siege, notably that on the Union right, held by the 112th Illinois, the Forty-fifth Ohio, the Third Michigan, and the Twelfth Kentucky regiments. The Confederates carried a hill, but did not secure any material advantage, although inflicting a loss of about a hundred men on the defenders. For ten ddys the Confederates maintained a monotonous shelling and skirmishing. On Nov. 28, having been reinforced by Sam Jones and one or two other detachments from Virginia, Longstreet made a heavy assault. A picked storming party of three brigades attacked an unfinished but important work known as Fort Sanders, on the Union left. The Fort was defended by Gen. Ferrero, who succeeded in repelling the Confederates after a desperate fight. In this assault Longstreet lost about 500 these being in Fort Sanders. After this repulse Longstreet was compelled to abandon the siege by the approach of a strong force under Gen. Sherman, and he retreated rapidly into Virginia. The entire Union loss in the defence of Knoxville was about 900 men, while the Confederates must have lost two or three times that number.

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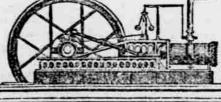
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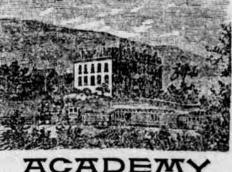
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